

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2768

AN ACT

To designate certain mountain peaks in the State of Colorado
as “Fowler Peak” and “Boskoff Peak”.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Fowler and Boskoff
3 Peaks Designation Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

5 Congress finds that—

6 (1) Charlie Fowler was—

7 (A) one of the most experienced mountain
8 climbers in North America, having successfully
9 climbed many of the highest peaks in the world;

10 (B) an author, guide, filmmaker, photog-
11 rapher, and wilderness advocate;

12 (C) the recipient of the 2004 Robert and
13 Miriam Underhill Award from the American Al-
14 pine Club, an award that—

15 (i) honors outstanding mountaineering
16 achievement; and

17 (ii) is awarded annually to climbers
18 who have “demonstrated the highest level
19 of skill in mountaineering and who,
20 through the application of this skill, cour-
21 age, and perseverance, have achieved out-
22 standing success in the various fields of
23 mountaineering”; and

24 (D) a summiter of several 8,000-meter
25 peaks, specifically—

26 (i) Everest;

1 (ii) Cho Oyu; and

2 (iii) Shishapangma;

3 (2) Christine Boskoff—

4 (A) was one of the leading female alpinists
5 in the United States, having climbed 6 of the
6 14 mountain peaks in the world that are higher
7 than 8,000 meters, specifically—

8 (i) Everest;

9 (ii) Cho Oyu;

10 (iii) Gasherbrum II;

11 (iv) Lhotse;

12 (v) Shishapangma; and

13 (vi) Broad Peak;

14 (B) gave countless hours to nonprofit orga-
15 nizations that supported—

16 (i) the rights of porters and Sherpas;

17 (ii) the education of women; and

18 (iii) global literacy and gender equal-
19 ity; and

20 (C) was recognized by the education com-
21 munities in the United States and Nepal as a
22 role model for students;

23 (3) Charlie Fowler and Christine Boskoff were
24 long-time residents of San Miguel County, Colorado,
25 and champions for Colorado's pristine backcountry;

1 (4) Charlie Fowler and Christine Boskoff died
 2 in an avalanche in November 2006 while attempting
 3 to summit Genyen Peak in Tibet;

4 (5) 2 unnamed 13,000-foot peaks located west
 5 of Wilson Peak on the boundary of San Miguel and
 6 Dolores Counties, Colorado, offer spectacular rec-
 7 reational climbing and hiking opportunities; and

8 (6) the local community in the vicinity of the
 9 peaks described in paragraph (5) and fellow climbers
 10 propose to honor and commemorate Charlie Fowler
 11 and Christine Boskoff by naming the peaks after
 12 Charlie Fowler and Christine Boskoff.

13 **SEC. 3. DESIGNATION OF FOWLER PEAK AND BOSKOFF**
 14 **PEAK, COLORADO.**

15 (a) DESIGNATION OF FOWLER PEAK.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—The 13,498-foot mountain
 17 peak, located at 37.8569° N, by −108.0117° W, in
 18 the Uncompahgre National Forest in the State of
 19 Colorado, shall be known and designated as “Fowler
 20 Peak”.

21 (2) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law,
 22 map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of
 23 the United States to the peak described in para-
 24 graph (1) shall be deemed to be a reference to
 25 “Fowler Peak”.

1 (b) DESIGNATION OF BOSKOFF PEAK.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—The 13,123-foot mountain
3 peak, located at 37.85549° N, by −108.03112° W,
4 in the Uncompahgre National Forest in the State of
5 Colorado, shall be known and designated as
6 “Boskoff Peak”.

7 (2) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law,
8 map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of
9 the United States to the peak described in para-
10 graph (1) shall be deemed to be a reference to
11 “Boskoff Peak”.

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Attest:

Clerk.

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